

SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 31, 1900

ATTORNEY GENERAL MONTAGUE who is a candidate for Governor, is of the opinion that the next legislature can provide for submitting the work of the proposed constitutional convention to a vote of the people. But the fact that he was also of the opinion that the act creating commissioners of valuation was constitutional, though the Court of Appeals has unanimously decided that it was not, strengthens the belief of other lawyers that his opinion in the former case is also wrong. As the democrats of the State have everything in their own hands now, it would seem the wiser plan for them to avoid questions that, at least might, provoke di' ferences in their party until after next fall's elections.

IF ANY part of the country is pros perous, certainly its capital should be but, all the same, at an immense demo cratic meeting held in Washington last night-and most democrats are poorthe delegates from that city to the na tional democratic convention were in structed to vote for Bryan. People are usually disposed to let well enough alone, especially when they are prosperous, and that the Washington democrats are not basking in prosperity is proved by the fact that they are not eatisfied with the present condition of affairs, and are in favor of a President who will be opposed to gold monometallism, high tariffs and imperialism in all its pretean forms.

IF WHAT the friars, black and grey alike, as well as the schoolmen of the thirteenth century, insisted upon, be as true now as it was then, "that it concerns the community to see what sort of men ought justly to be chosen for the weal of the realm," the voters of this country, no matter what their po litical opinions may be, should certainly make it their business to prevent the re-election of Mr. McKinley, for his twisting and turning at the behests of the trusts and combines, who supply him with the money required to debauch suffrage.

MR. CLEVELAND, who was so anxious for a war with Great Britain over a boundary line in Venezuela between the territory of the latter government and that of the former, and in which this country was not at all interested that he did his best to get into it before position, and so desirous of preserving amicable relations with Great Britain, that he advises the immediate ratification of the British treaty in respect of the Nicaragua canal.

THOUGH Mr. Speaker Henderson of the U. S. House of Representatives says the President worked with might and main to secure the passage of s bill imposing a high tariff on the products of Porto Rico, Mr. Proctor, in the Senate yesterday, quoted the President's own words, that it is the plain duty of this country to have free trade with Porto Rico. Yes, Mr. McKinley is the worse President, by every rule of comparison, the country has ever had.

THE REPUBLICAN Governor of Indiana has made public announcement that he will not respect requisitions for murderers who shall escape from Kentucky into his State. And yet the Constitution provides that requisitions from any one State shall be obligatory upon all the others. But now, as always, republicans regard their own objects as higher law than constitutions.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette Washington, March 31. Norfolk democrats here today say they think the republican majority of the House, by depriving Mr. Young of his seat, have succeeded in securing

him a renomination-Representative Wise of Virginia he fears the propagation of lobsters at the Rip-Raps will not succeed, as he understands the temperature as he understands the temperature there is too high. Dr. Wise says when a democrat congratulated him upon having a seat on the democratic side of the House, he replied that the door-keeper had promised him one on the republican side, and that though it was next to a negro's, he was glad to get

into good company.

The elections committee of the House has not yet appointed a sub-committee to prepare a report in the Walker-Rhea ted case, and will not do so for some time as several of its members are some time as several of its members are away "repairing their fences." Some of the republican members of the committee speak well of the manner in which Mr. Rhea presented his side of the case, and seem to be favorably disposed toward him.

Ex-Senator Charles Hopper Gibson, of Maryland, died at two o'clock this morning at the residence of his broth.

morning at the residence of his brother, Lieutenant S. H. Gibson, U. S. N., 2220 Connecticut avenue, in this city. He had been in poor health for some time. The immediate cause of his death was heart trouble. Ex-Senator Gibson was born in Queen Anne county, Md., 57 years ago, and was the son of the late Woolman J. Gibson. He was a lawyer by profession. He was appointed col-lector of internal revenue for the Eastern Shore district of Maryland by President Johnson but failed of confirmstion in the Senate. He filled numerous

151st Congresses as a member of the House. He was appointed U.S. Senator to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Ephrian K. Wilson and took his seat in the Senate on December 7, 1891. He was afterwards elected to fill the unexpired term. His wife was the widow Holiday and was a Miss Powell, of Virginia.

The various conferees of the President this morning expressed their con-viction that the amended Porto Rico ariff bill would encounter no serious

tariff bill would encounter no serious opposition on its passage.

Assistant Secretary Webster Davis resumed his duties at the Interior Department this morning. What he went to South Africa for has never been told.

President McKinley received 200 delegates of he New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Washington Library Association convention this morning. The tion convention this morning. The East room. After the White House reception the delegation visited Mt. Ver-

Tae House committee on military affairs witnessed the sub-marine boat Holland disport itself in the waters of the Potomac near Alexandria, Yachte were placed at the disposal of the Congressman by those interested and a goodly selection of dry and wet goods a sisted in making the trip a bearable

The House committee on merchant marine and fisheries will report on the ship sub-idy bill Monday. Alexander R. Smith, one of the lobby for the bill, isually found at republican campaign headquarters, has had all callers re-ferred to him by Chairman Grosvenor.

Nearly, if not all the Virginians here, are of the opinion that the question of polding a constitutional convention in heir State will be voted down, not be cause the present constitution does not need amendment, but because of the ear of what the convention might do, n view of what the members of the legislature, who are elected by the peo-ple, as those of the convention would be, have recently done, and that the cempaign, on which so much depends, is no time to be fomenting differences in the democratic party of the State.

Representative Rixey opposed the bill that was before the House yesterday evening to pay the Pennaylvania claims for losses sustained by reason of the Confederate invasion. He had asked the patron of that bill to allow an amendment, providing for the claims of the Loudoun county, Virginia, "loyal" cla mants, but as that request was refused, he opposed the bill, knowing full well that if the democrats sup ported it, the thanks they would reeive would be a solid republican opposition to all Southern war claims.

Democratic floor leader Richardson, of Tennessee, proposes to push the rerevenue before the duction of revenue before the House committee on ways and means. The republicans are not yet agreed on a plan of action. Representative Levy called on the President today and discussed the matter with him. The President said he favored a reduction in the tax, but whether Congress is to get this year. duction whether Congress is to act this year or next, would depend upon the opinions f the leaders as to whether a change now would not disturb the business world.

Senator Martin says be hears that omebody has said he was in favor of he objectionable commissioners of valuation act, but how suchan idea could have been conceived, he can't imagine, as he has invariably told everybody with whom he has talked about the hill from the not be passed, and that the commissioners of revenue could do all that should be done to offect a fair assessment. As soon as the bill mittee to provide for fair primaries for was passed he know, and so said that it could the delegates to the Kansas City con-

THE WAR IN AFRICA.

the British and the Boers. A force of Boers from Brandfort, their advanced post in the Free State, moved south to Karee Siding, 21 miles north of Bloemtontein, and intrenched themselves on three kopjes. General Roberts sent an overwhelming force against them, and after a sharp conflict compelled the Boers to retreat to Brandfort, 14 miles from Karee. The British loss was over 100 men. The loss of the Boers is un-

The reports of this conflict, which are officially confirmed by General Roberts, show that he has advanced his troops 11 miles farther north than had been supposed. They are also taken in London to indicate that the Boers are not going to fall back to their main position at Kroonstad without evere fighting.

Signs of an aggressive movement by the British all along the line are multiplying. In Natal Geo. Buller's roops are beginning to mass at Elands-nagte. There, as in the Free State, the Boers, too, are active and their raids nave caused General Buller to strengthen his outpo ts.

The British are reported to have with-

drawn from their position at Fourteen Streams, on the Vaal river, 65 miles from Kimberley on the way to Mafek-ing. Their presence there it is said in London, may have been a feint. An xpedition of 2,000 men and three bateries under Colonel Drummond passed through Barkley West last Monday, and it is believed this is the real Mafeking relief expedition making a detour so as to avoid the strong Boer position at Four-

een Streams.

A Pretoria dispatch states that Gen. Louis Boths, the victor of Spion kop, has been appointed to succed the late General Joubert as commander-in-chief of the Transvaal forces.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

D. L. Bauder, said to be heir to \$100,000 estate in Cortland, N. Y., threw himself in front of a passenger train last night at Chicago and was instantly kill-

The Filipino General Pana, who has been active in leading the natives in Panay, has surrendered to General Kobbe. He is being brought to Manila.

James J. O'Boy's shot and mortally wounded his wife and then shot and killed himself at their home at Scranton, Pa., today. It is believed the deed was committed during a fit of temporalization. ary insanity.

Monsignor Thomas B. Moran, vicar general of the Trenton, N. J., diocese of the Roman Catholic Church, died here this morning, of pneumonla Father Moran was born in 1832, in Dub lin, Ireland. He was a man of great influence and extensive learning.

At Stamford, Conn., yesterday Clarence Jessup, white, aged 23 years, was married to Julia Merritt, colore), aged 42, who weighs but 95 pounds.

State offices in Maryland and was elect-ed as a democrat to the 49th, 50th and the Alabama mines.

NEWS OF THE DAY

Naval and military preparations cortique on an extensive scale at Sebasto-

German emigration last year was 23,740, of which number 19,000 came to the United States. J. C. Graham, postmaster at Provo,

Urab, has been removed, an investiga-tion having shown that he is a polyga-The House yesterday killed a bill to

pay to Penusylvania border towns claims for raids by Confederate troops during the civil war. It is reported that a warrant has been

issued in Frankfort, Ky., for the arrest of W. S. Taylor, acting Governor, for complicity in the Gobel murder. A statement issued by the War De-partment shows that Porto Rico's ex-

port has fallen off 72 per cent. since Rev. F. M. Mills, a superannuated preacher of the Beltimore conference, Methodist Episcopal Church South-oldest member-died last week at his home in Neosho, Mo.

It is believed the court martial at Manila has found Maj. George O. Kirkman guilty of insulting Archbishop Chappelle, and that he is sentenced to be dismissed from the army.

Amos Elder, who shot and kill-ed his wife at Oil City, Ps., last Sunday night, committed suicide Thursday night in the cemetery at Franklin, Pa. after visiting the grave of his wife.

The Columbia Theatre building, Chicago, was burned yesterday evening. Loss, \$190,000. Five persons were injured. The famous Iroquois Club, a emocratic political institution, lost its home by the fire. In celebrating his one hundred and

twenty-eighth birthday Noah Raby will go on record as the oldest pauper in

the world. Raby has spent the last thirty-four years at the Middlesex couny poor house farm in Piscataway, New ersey, being bent, withered and gray, Senator Pettus, the "father of the Senate," made a witty and sarcastic speech in the Senate yesterday in which he exhibited Senator Beveridge's re-cen; actions in such a funny light that

the decorum of the upper house gave way to uncontrollable laughter. A liberal member of the House of Commons in a speech yesterday com-plained that Great Britain had failed to uphold British interests in China, and he demanded a definite policy to meet Russia's energetic progress. Mr. Brodrick defended the government, and said it could not force concessions.

The last effort to harmonize the conflicting views of the members of the House committee on naval affairs, in regard to constructing ships in govern ment navy yards and on the price of armor, failed yestesday, and a majority and minority report on the naval appropriation bill will be presented to the

The Construction Board of the Navy Department has determined on de tailed designs for the three armored cruisers authorized at the last session of Congress, together with the three battleshipe. These cruisers will be the most formidable and the swiftest ships carrying armor yet undertaken and are planned to be equal in fighting effectiveness and steaming radius to the finest productions of their class abroad,

A democratic mass-meeting was held at the Masonic Temple, in Washington, last night. More than one thousand persons were present. Resolutions calling upon the democratic central comof three Norris democrats. The latter A fight in the Orange Free State has broken the lull in the conflict between

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Miss Hettie P. Fallin and Robert R. France, of Northumberland county, eloped to Baltimore yesterday and became man and wife.

Mrs. Mary Dellingder, wife of Dr. G. W. Dellingder, formerly of Front Roy-al, died at her residence, in Middletown, Va., Thursday.

Miss Rosa L. Whittaker, daughter of Mrs. Mary Whittaker, of Fredericks-burg, was burned to death while on a vieit to friends in Caroline county yes terday.

It was announced at the residence of Dr. Hunter McGuire, in Richmond, late last night, that his condition was growing worse. He is now receiving no nourishment and is, of course, becoming weaker all the time.

The W. R. Trigg Shipbuilding Com pany of Richmond will in a few days be awarded the contract by the govern ment for the construction of two reve nue cutters. The Trigg plant was in-spected yesterday by the Board of Inspection and Secretary of the Navy Long. The board after the inspection expressed themselves as highly satis-fied with the works.

Brandt O'Grady, the white man ynched at Emporia last Saturday, is elieved to have been the son of a well o-do, if not wealthy, man of New York. A letter was received in Richmond yesterday from a gentleman who so . There were many things about the description of the victim of the Emporia mob which leads the writer to conclude that he was his son.

Convicted.

Raleigh, N. C., March 31.-Within one week from the date of his crime Tom Jones, the negro preacher, who last week killed Ella Jones and five of her children, was convicted of murde and sentenced to be hauged May 11 The seven-year old child who escaped from the burning building in which the family was murdered and burned, was the principal witness. Jones's attorney pleaded insanity for his client.

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him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken intertally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c. per bottle.
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Bev. W. E. Sitzer, W. Caton, N. Y., write Rev. W. E. Sitzer, W. Caton, N. Y., writes "I had dyspepsia over twenty years, and tried doctors and medicines without benefit. I was persuaded to use Kodol Despepsia Cure and it helped me from the start. I believe it to be a panacea for all forms of indigestion." It digests what you eat. THE VALUATION ACT.

As stated in the Gazette of that date by a unanimous vote the Court of Appeals yesterday decided the tax valuation act unconstitutional. This decision is based entirely upon the fact that the bill did not receive a constitutional vote. The opinion was read by Judge

Keith, the president of the court. When the court convened at 11 o'clock the chamber was thronged, so great was the interst in the opinion. The death-knell of the measure, which promised lucrative positions to many persons, was rounded in connec-tion with the habeas corpus proceedings of Lambert vs. Smith, sergeant, Alexandria, Wednesday, by Col. F. Smith and Sepator Daniel against the measure and Attorney General Monta-gue and Mr. Hill Carter for the State. Judge Keith read the opinion. It follows:

"This day came again the parties by counsel, and the court being of opinion that the act of the General Assembly, entitled 'An act to provide for the appointment of commissioners of valua-tion, and defining their duties, ap-proved March 5, 1900, carries with it an appropriation of public money, and that section 11, article 10 of the constitution of the State provides that upon the passage of every such act 'that the vote shill be determined by ayes and noes, and the names of the persons voting for and against the same shall be entered on the journals of the respective houses, and a majority of all the members elected to each House shall be necessary to give it the force of law,' and it appearing from the record that the vote not taken and entered as provided by said section 15; and the court being of opinion that it cannot separate so much of the act as appropriates money and hold it to be bad while maintaining the validity of the rest of the law, but that not having been passed as required by section 11, article 10, above quoted, that no part of the act has the force of a

"And it appearing to the court that the act aforesaid is null and void by reason of its repugnance to the constitution of this State, therefore it is considered by the court that the said W. F. Lambert is illegally detained in cus-tody and it is ordered that he be dis-

Judge Keith then directed that an order be entered dismissing all other petitions on the question of the validity of the law without coast. The cour was upanimous.

Immediately after the reading of the opinion the crowd in the court room be an to leave and the court adjourned. The entire session lasted only about fitteen minuter,

The case went from Alexandria Louis C. Barley was appointed and qualified as commissioner of valuation in this city. He went to the Citizens National Bank and demanded of As-sistant Cashier W. Frank Lambert what a certain gentleman had to his credit in that bank, and also the amount of hi

personal property.

Mr. Lambert refused to give him the desired information and Mr. Barley at once proceeded to the Mayor's office and swore out a warrant for his arrest Shortly afterward Mr. Lambert was ar-rested and arraigned before Mayor Simpson, who fined the accused the minimum penalty of the offence, which

Mr. Lambert refused to pay the tine and was committed, pending an application forwarded to the Court of Ap peals for a writ of habeas corpus with the result determined yesterday.

The other cases affected by the decision are those of Mr. Robert V Marye, of Richmond, and that of the stant companion of mine ever since and business men of Newport News. In it never fails." For sale by all drugthe case from Richmond, counsel for Mr. Ashton Starke and others appealed for a writ to restrain Judge Witt from allowing Mr. Marye to qualify as com-missioner. In the Newport News case an injunction was applied for to restrain the keeper of the rolls and the State Printer from promulgating the measure as an act of the Legislature.

The State Board of Valuation Com-missioners have taken a holiday after their arduous duties for the past several weeks. It will be some month Defore they will resume their sessions.
Of the 117 positions created by the Commissioner of Valuation act, the

85 persons, there remaining only 32 to be appointed had the law been held constitutions).

The business men of this city and al of the other cities of the Slate are de-

MR. CLEVELAND.

Ex-President Grover Cleveland a Princeton, N. J., yesterday in the course of an interview expressed himself in approval of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty or the neutralization of the Nicarague canal. Mr. Cleveland added that he hoped the treaty would be ratified.
Mr. Cleveland said:

"With reference to the caual across Nicaregua, I have always thought that whatever was done in its promotion by the Government of the United States should be done as a contribution by it to the cause of progres; and advancing civilization. It has seemed to me that we had gained that position among the nations of the world that would make it appropriate for us, in accordance with the spirit of our institutions, to make such a contribution. This, of course, means the absolute neutralization of the Nicaragua construction, and since the Hay Pauncefote treaty is directly in line with the sentiment I am, of course, strongly in favor of its ratifi-

cation. Ex-President Grover Cleveland said relative to reports that have been cir-culated that he had announced his intention of supporting William J. Bryan for the presidency in the coming cam-

paign:
"I do not think that those reports are worthy of denial, but I will simply say I have not in any way signified to any one what course I shall take in the next campaigo. The etatements ac-credited to me are absolutely false; in act, I have not given any considerable attention to the approaching elections. You may say that I have not indicated my probable attitude in any way, shape

A BOND AGAINST SPOOKS .- For rousing his wife, Matilda, from her slumbers at night, and requiring her to listen to spirits which he called up. Herman Gobet, of Wilkesbarre, Pa. was yesterday placed under a \$500 bond by Justice of the Peace Donahue. The bond was required as security that Gobet should not in the practise of his religion, spiritualism, infringe on the rights of his wife, a christian. The wife testified that Gobet disturbed her peace of mind, and in her opinion was

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

Washington, March 31. SENATE.

At the close of routine business in the enate the calendar was taken up. The following bills were passed:

Granting 25,000 acres to the State of Alabama for the benefit of a Normal College at Montgomery for colored people. To establish light and fog signal at Brown's Point, in Paget Sound.

Then on motion of Mr. Foraker the consideration of the Porto Rican bill was resumed.

Mr. Bacon made a short speech, in which he favored the passage of the bill as originally introduced by Mr. Forsker. He said that if a vote were taken on the measure as it was first introduced he was certain that there would not be a dissenting vote from the

Mr. Foraker congratulated Mr. Bacon on the fact that he had reached the point of view on which he (Forake:) tood when he introduced the oill. He further said that since he had had an opportunity to look further into the question he had come to look at it in a different light. He explained why he and the other members of the committee had thought best to treat Porto Rico rather as a dependency than as a portion of the United States.

Mr. Gallinger introduced his amend-ment to the Porto Rican bill which he offered yesterday and withdrew, pro-viding for an internal revenue tax on distilled spirits.

Mr. Foraker introduced a bill to increase the salary of the United States marshal for the Southern District of Ohio from \$4,000 to \$5,000 per year.

Mr. Pettus's smendment, providing that the legislative assembly of Port.

Rice shall not pass any legislation in conflict with the constitution and laws of tue United States was defeated by vote of 31 to 15. Mr. Fairbanks then addressed th Senate in support of the bill.

HOUSE. The House resolved itself into com nittee of the whole, Mr. Grosvenor i the chair, for the consideration of

fortications appropriation bill.
It appropriates in round figures en million dollars. Mr. Hemenway, in charge of the bill

made a short statement of its provis Mr. Shattue then took the floor

make a political speech.

He criticised the general tariff policy of the democrats and contrasted cond tions in the country resulting from democratic free trade and republican protection to the benefit of the latter He sustained the policy of the present administration in the Philippines and spoke of the advantages to be derived from the possession of these islands in assisting the United States to get its

share of the growing Asiatic trade. Mr. Richardson took issue with Mr Shattuc on the question of the benefi of the Dingley tariff, saying that its ef feet had been disas rous on the woo

Mr. Richardson in further criticism of Mr. Shattuc's speech, charged that the policy of the republican party was responsible for the large and extrave gant appropriations under which the

An Editor Finds a Sure Cure for Kheumatism.

A. R. De Fluent, editor of the Jour al, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a num ber of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: right arm at times was useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immedi stely. The Pain Balm has been a cou-

How Are Your Kidneys Dr. Hobbs' Sparagus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sam Try our Delicious Devilled Crabs, the first

COURT OF APPEALS. The Court of Appeals adjourned for the term yesterday. The docket is

completely cleared.

No decision was rendered in the cas of the city of Alexandria vs. the W. A. & Mr. V. Ry. Co. This suit is to compel the company to lay improved rails on King street

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GOVERNOR'S

PROCLAMATION. Commonwealth of Virginia,

Governor's Office, January 13, 1900.

"I have been more or less troubled with indigestion, but since the use of Otterburn Lithis Water for over a month have been greatly relieved and I think it principally due to the efficacy of the water. I cheerfully recommend it." J. HOGE TYLER. operintendent of Public Instruction says "I desire to bear testimony to the great a mella county. In my own person I have found this water very beneficial in indiges-

found this water very beneficial in indigestion and gout.

JOS. W. SOUTHALL, M. D.

Dr. George Beo. Johnston. says.

"I use it in gout, rheumatism, dyspesia,
lithaemia, and a'l forms of renal and bladder
troubles. I prescribe no mineral water so
freely as the Otterburn."

Dr J. G. Trevillian says:

"Several of my cases of kidney trouble have
improved myte rapidly under the use of the

improved more rapidly under the use of the Otterburn Water than Bethesda or Buffalo Lithia."

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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Foreign News. London, March 31 .- The Duche

they can elect an anti-ministerialist as president, thus obliging the cabinet to resign.

Notwithstanding the opposition which had arisen, the appointment of the Rev. Moeller to be bishop of Columbus, O., was confirmed at noon today. It is now stated at the Vatican that no cardinals will be appointed at the forthcoming consistory.

Paris, March 31.—The religious bodies

broughout America bave protested gainst opening the American nations exposition buildings on Easter Sunday but the French authorities are disposed o insist that the Americans conform to the universal rule of Sunday opening Commissioner General Peck states tha ne must be guided by the wishes of the French authorities, despite the protests of religious bodies at home.

Berlin, March 31—The agrarians

have agreed to the government's proprobibiting the importation of American salt meat but today the majority d nounced the deal between the agrarians deputies and the government. The latter now says it will not negotiate further with the agrarians over the matter.

The Situation in couth Africa. Bloemfontein March 30 .- (Delayed) The enemy in yesterday's engagement at Karu Siding station fought despi-rately for three hours after which General French on the right and Colonel Legalla on the left, turned the Born flanks, while the infantry charged the centre. The Boers conducted an orerly retreat to Brandfort, a few miles north. The British now hold an ex-cellent position on the kopi s facing

the broad plain before Brandfort. London, March 31 .- A dispatch from General Roberts states that news has been received from Mafeking up to March 10; that the health and spirits of the garrison are good and the food is holding out well.

Maseru, Besutoland, March 30 .-Free State refugees, who have arrived here, sesert that President Steyn has ordered that all English and Boer residents of the Free State who refuse to fight on the republican side shall be

Probably Adjusted.

Chicsgo, March 31.-There is hardly any doubt that the agreement arrived at late yesterday between the represertatives of the international machinists association and the national meta-trades association will be ratified a this afternoon's meeting of the 6,000 local machinists, and that all will return to work Monday. If the terms of the agreement are recognized by machicists' unions throughout the country, 150,000 men who are expected to be out on a general strike by April 1st, will, instead, be at work. This settle-ment, it is thought, will have a strong influence toward the peaceful adjustment of other labor contentions exist ing here.

The Cambridge-Oxford Boat Race. London, March 31 .- London turned out today to witness the annual Oxford-Cambridge boat race on the Thames. The weather was ideal and the course from Putney to Mortlake was lined with people. Nearly all carried dark or light bine colors. Cambridge took the lead from the start and increased in rapidly. Before the two mile post was reached the race had degeoerated into a procession and the light blues finished twenty lengths ahead. Oxford splashed badly, and showed little form, though gamely rowing the race out. The odds weaves were six to one in favor of Cambridge, as Oxford has lost several of her best oarsmen through illness.

The Kentucky Trouble.

Frankfort, Ky., March 31.-W. H. Culton gave out the following interview today: "I have nev r confessed, and know nothing to confess. I know of nothing that implicates republicans. I told Col. Campbell and his associates about one little matter that I cannot explain a thing that puzzles me." Judge Moore declines to state how many warrants were issued at the same time of the warrants served on "Tallow Dick" Combs last night at Beattyville. Combs is charged with being an accessory in Goebel's murder.

Details have been received in Lordon of the visit to King Menelik of an American, exploring in Abyesinia.

Rev. Thomas Alfred Dorcon, clergym n, author journs list and orator, died at his home in Manchester, N. H., last night, after a long

Volcanic Eruptions

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL New York, March 31,-The stock market opened active, but the principal speculative interest was created in sugar. The railway list was higher. The government bond market was strong and active.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN ALEXANDRIA

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CARD FROM OFFICER SPINKS Alexandria, Va., March 31, 1900. To the Honorable Board of Police Cornmissioners of Alexandria :

York gave birth to a son at 7:30 a. m., today. Both mother and child are doing well.

Rome, March 31.—The chamber but for ten minutes today just long enough for the President, Signor Colombo, who was hooted from the chair yesterday, to tender his resignation. The resignation was received with comparative quiet and next Tuesday was appointed a date for electing a successor. The socialist opposition feel confident that

civil and political rights and pub The declaration of the political rights and privileges of the inhabitants of this state is

declared a part of the constitution, and shall not be violated in any matter whatev r."

I read further from the constitution:

"All persons entitled to vote shall be eligible to any office within the gift of the pro-

ple."

Now, gentlemen, you will not maintain the right to deep me the privilege of voting; if not, you cannot destroy my right to be a candidate for office. The two rights of voting and of being a candidate see one and inseparable. The difficulty, I believe (and I mean respectfully suggest 1), is that some of your manager, may are necessarily suggest. sble. The difficulty, I believe (and I most respectfully suggest i), is that some of your members may a gue upon the taea that if they employ a man to do their work they can prescribe whatever rules they please; but, unfortunately for this position, members of the Police Board do not hire rolice offi errothey simply act as employees of the city. It is the tax-payers of our city who, through representatives in the C ty Council, prescribe the number, the pay and, last, the immunity from punishment, except for misconduct in office of policemen. The powers of the Police Board are exceedingly limited, so far as prescribed privileges are concerned, and the right of a police board to take rules loss not carry with it any power to limit term of office, fix number of men or adjust ralaries; therefore would it not be a stretch of authority for a body with such limited powers to take upon itself the right to set aside a constitutional provision? Police officers have the same rights of citiz nship as those possessed by the members of the Police of acts of the possessed by the members of the Police of th those possessed by the members of the Police Board. If I have been guilty of misconduct board. If I have been guitty of misconduct, or if I have in any manner neglected my dustice as a palice officer, you have the undoubted right to punish, but the right thicking, fair-play loving people of Alexandria will never endorse the action of men who interpret the efforts of an humble citizen to advance himself as heing a misconduct misconduct. vance himself as being a missonduct in effice justifying removal. As a matter of fact, gettlemen, a just treatment of my case has been thoughtlessly, perhaps, ignored. A perusal of your resolution well establishes this fact "It is moved that the Ford of P. lice Communications and the stable of the communication of the stable of the communication." "It is moved that the Foord of P. lice Commissioners, after such investigation as they have deemed necessary, find it inexp dient for Officer F. C. Spinks to remain a member of the police force of the city, at the same time being a cancidate for office." If you getter men have really made an inve tigation, which you have deemed necessary, I would like it know when you made it for extending I ke to know when you made it, for cert I never received a notice to appear before and defend myself, and as fatr minded you would hardly have had an investig without having me present. An secured an investigation without having me present. An secured are son should certainly have the right and it has ever been seconded, to face his accurate Have you given me that right, and have you ever denied it to any other positeman? For ever denied it to any other poi eman? For several weeks there were three caudi lates in the field for the office to which I am aspiring and as a matter of course the greater the number of candidates the better were the chances of the incumbent in office, and strange to say as long as this state of affairs existed these was no complaint made to you, as to right so be a candidate, but when one candidate with drew, which left the context between the incumber of the context between the incumber of the context between the incumber of the context between the context

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Very respectfully,
FRANK C. SPINKS, JR

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